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Subject: The Research Connection Videoconferences

You are invited to join us on March 25, 2004, for the first Research Connection videoconference. We not only extend this invitation to you, but also ask that you extend the invitation to your staff and others in your respective divisions or districts. This idea was created by the Division of Research and Innovation (DRI) as a way to bring researchers and practitioners together to exchange information and transfer knowledge.

The first conference speaker will be Marty Wachs, who is the Director of the Institute of Transportation Studies at UC Berkeley. He will be discussing the future of transportation financing in California.

If your office is in the Headquarters building, you may attend in person by going to the Veteran's Affairs Building, 1227 O Street, Fifth Floor, Room 513, where the videoconference will be held. Room 1500 in the Headquarters Building, is also available for your use. If you are in one of the districts, videoconference rooms have been reserved for your use. The first presentation will be from 10:00 -11:00 a.m.

These videoconferences will take place once a month. Although the first meeting will be in the morning, subsequent meetings will be during the lunchtime hours, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. You are encouraged to bring your lunch and enjoy the presentations. We are also very interested in presentation ideas that you might have. Please e-mail your suggestions to christine.azevedo@dot.ca.gov.

For those unable to join us at the live presentation, we are creating a web page link on the Internet, so that you can view the presentations at a later time. We will have more information about this website as soon as it becomes available. If you have any questions, please contact Christine Azevedo at (916) 654-9878, Calnet 8-464-9878.